Crisis in Durgapur unit of HFC

2937. SHRI SUNIL BASU RAY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Durgapur unit of HCF is facing crisis of existence;

(b) if so, what are the causes;

(c) whether Government are taking any measures to rectify the situation; and

(d) if so, the details thereof; and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF FERTILIZERS IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI R. PRABHU): (a) and (b) The Durgapur Unit of Hindustan Fertilizers Corporation (HCF) has been incurring heavy losses as it has been operating at much below its rated capacity due to power and equipment problems as well as design deficiencies.

(c) and (d) With a view to avoiding production loss on account of power cuts/failure, a captive power plant has been installed. Necessary repairs and renovation of equipments are also taken up as and when required. Based on an end-to-end survey of the units of HFC including the Durgapur plant carried out by foreign consultants, a proposal for revamp and rehabilitation has been prepared. No decision, however, has been taken on the proposal yet.

Mandays generated under RLEGP

2938. SHRI SUNIL BASU RAY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state the number of mandays generated during 1987-88 (upto 31-12-1987) under RLEGP and number of persons benefited as a result thereof, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI): Progress of employment generation under Rural Landless Employment Guarantee Programme is monitored in terms of number of mandays generated during a financial year. A statement indicating State/UT-wise number of mandays reported to have been generated during 1987-88 (upto 31-12-87) under RLEGP is attached.

Statement

State/UT wise Number of Mandays reported to have been generated under RLEGP during 1987-88 upto 31-12-87

Sl. No.	State/UT	Mandays generated (Lakh Numbers)
1	2	3
1.	Andhra Pradesh	164.74
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	0.47
3.	Assam	26.07
4.	Bihar	209.25
5.	Gujarat	49.44
6.	Haryana	13.42
7.	Himachal Pradesh	10.35
8.	Jammu & Kashmir	4.10
9.	Karnataka	118.97
10.	Kerala	64.05
11.	Madhya Pradesh	167.89
12.	Maharashtra	69.53
13.	Manipur	2.05
14.	Meghalaya	1.59
15.	Mizoram	0.89
16.	Nagaland	2.00
17.	Orissa	112.41
18.	Punjab	15.48
19.	Rajasthan	108.97
20.	Sikkim	2.22

1	2	3
21.	Tamil Nadu	179.72
22.	Tripura	6.62
23.	Uttar Pradesh	284.48
24.	West Bengal	122.85
25.	A&N Islands	0.95
26.	Chandigarh	*
27.	D&N Haveli	0.53
28.	Delhi	0.69
29.	Goa, Daman & Diu	1.86
30.	Lakshadweep	0.53
31.	Pondicherry	1.86
	ALL INDIA	1743.68

*RLEGP not being implemented in the U.T. of Chandigarh since 1987-88.

Development of Horticulture in North-Eastern States

2939. SHRI RAMNARAYAN GOSWAMI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the schemes taken up by Government for the development of horticulture in the Eastern and North-Eastern States during the last three years; State-wise and year-wise; and

(b) the steps taken by Government to achieve the target?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV): (a) Details of the scheme taken up in the Central Sector are given in the attached Statement. (*See* below).

(b) Steps taken up include production and distribution of planting materials of high yielding varieties, demonstration of improved cultivation technology, control of posts and diseases etc.

Statement

Sl. No.	Name of the Scheme	Name of States	Whether the scheme was implemented in the last 3 years
1	Improved Technology for quality apple production	Arunachal Pradesh	Yes
2	Intensification of vegetable production through distribution of minikits.	Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Orissa Sikkim, Bihar and Tripura.	Yes
3	Supply and distribution of quality planting material.	Assam Bihar Manipur, Meghalaya and Orissa.	Since 1986-87
4	Storage of potatoes through Passive Evaporative Cooling System Stores.	Bihar & West Bengal	Since 1986-87
5	Contigent plan for drought affected districts - distribution of vegetable minikits.	Orissa, Sikkim and Nagaland	1987-88 only
6	Package programme on Pineapple	Arunachal Pradesh	Yes
7	Package programme for development of cashewnut.	West Bengal and Tripura	Yes
8	Integrated Development of Spices	Assam, Tripura and Arunachal Pradesh	Since 1987-88
9	Contigency Plan distribution of minikits	Orissa West Bengal Nagaland, Assam Arunachal Pradesh and Sikkim.	Rabi 1987 and Kharif 1988 only
10	Contigency Plan production of certified vegetable seeds by Agricultural Universities.	Bihar, Orissa West Bengal and Assam.	Since 1987-88
11	Schemes for Coconut Development.	Assam, Orissa, West Bengal, Bihar and Tripura.	Yes